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Presented for filing is a new continuation patent application of:

Applicant: BAL RAM SINGH AND ZHONG ZHANG

Title: NOVEL PROTEINS WITHIN THE TYPE E BOTULINUM  
NEUROTOXIN COMPLEX

The prior applications are assigned of record to University of Massachusetts,  
a Massachusetts corporation, by virtue of an assignment submitted to the Patent and  
Trademark Office and recorded on February 2, 1998 at 8996/0624.

Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date  
under 37 CFR §1.53(b):

	<u>Pages</u>
Specification	19
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Drawing(s)	5

## Enclosures:

- Form PTO-1449, 1 page, listing documents cited in the parent application(s). Please confirm that these have been considered in this application by returning a copy of the Form PTO-1449 with the examiner's initials.
- Preliminary amendment, 3 pages.
- Request Under 37 C.F.R. §1.821(e) to Transfer Computer Readable Form (2 pages) and paper copy of Sequence Listing from parent (3 pages).
- Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney (signed copy) filed in the parent application.

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- Small entity statement (signed copy) filed in the parent application. This application is entitled to small entity status.
- Postcard.

This application is a divisional application of and claims priority to U.S. Application Serial No. 09/546,136, filed on April 10, 2000, which is a continuation of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/889,354, filed on July 8, 1997, which claims priority from U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/021,348, filed on July 8, 1996. The disclosures of the prior applications are considered part of (and are incorporated by reference in) the disclosure of this application.

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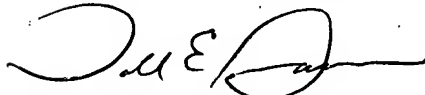
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